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Student Cleared of Rape Charges

By Stephanie Weidel
Bullet Staff Writer

Mary Washington College student Anthony Trus, who had been charged with the rape and sodomy of a freshman student, had his case dismissed in Fredericksburg General District Court on Tuesday, Dec. 5.

Judge John Stevens dropped the charges against Trus, a sophomore resident of Willard Hall, on the grounds that there was "no criminal element to the case" due to lack of violence.

Trus, who would not comment specifically on the trial, said only that "justice prevailed."

The alleged victim, who did not wish to be named, disagreed with the results of the trial.

"I just can't believe that he got off on that technicality [that there was no violence.] I don't think the justice system really works. At least not for me. I don't feel that justice has been served," she said.

During the case's preliminary trial, the alleged victim stated that Trus had had no consensual sex with her on the night of Oct. 5. She testified that she was too drunk to protest in any way, verbally or physically, but remembered the incident clearly.

In her testimony, the woman stated

that she and Trus were acquaintances who had met two or three times before the incident occurred. On the night of Oct. 5, the woman had gone to Trus's room. She said that she had been at college for about a month, had not had any experience with alcohol before college, and had only consumed alcohol a couple of times since. The woman said she had gotten drunk after drinking two beers each time.

She stated that on the night of the incident she and Trus watched on movie and part of another, and consumed two beers and three clove cigarettes during that time. She said that she became very drunk and was unable to move or talk. She also testified that she was unable to return to her residence hall, Virginia, and was afraid of being caught by a resident assistant, so she decided to spend the night in Trus's room.

She said that after Trus reassured her that she could trust him, she shared his bed with him, and he raped and sodomized her.

Trus would not comment on the trial. However, in an earlier interview, Trus gave an account of the night of the incident that was, in some ways,

similar to the alleged victim's.

Trus said that he was acquainted with the alleged victim. On the night in question, Trus said, she had come to his room, they had watched movies and talked and then had consensual sex. He said that she had consumed only one and a half beers and that the incident occurred about three hours later, which made it impossible for her

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-alleged victim
in the Dec. 5 trial

to still be drunk.

He also said that she in no way appeared to be drunk and behaved in no way, either verbally or physically, that gave him any indication that the sex was not consensual.

During the trial, Trus's attorney, Benjamin Woodbridge, questioned the alleged victim's motives behind leaving a message on Trus's message board the following morning as she was leaving. It read, "Tony, you're a really cool guy. I am sorry. I made a mistake. I'm in love with [her boyfriend]. I hope you're not mad. I'll

give you a call tonight."

Woodbridge theorized that a rape had not occurred if she had left this message on his board.

The alleged victim testified that she had left this message because she was confused about the previous night and felt guilty about what had happened. She said that she felt that she was at fault because she had gone to his room alone, had gotten drunk, and had decided to spend the night.

After leaving Trus's room at 6 a.m., she returned to her room where she slept and later contacted a friend around 11 a.m. The friend, Holly Olson, took her to the Health Center, where she met with a representative from the Rappahannock Council Against Sexual Assault. She then went to Mary Washington Hospital to be examined.

According to the alleged victim, the dismissal is the end of the case's progress through the legal system. However, she said that she plans to pursue it further in the Honor Council on the recommendation of Dean of Students Joanne Beck.

"He got off free and that just doesn't work for me," she said. "I don't want to be on this campus with him and I'm not going anywhere. No way. I want to see him get thrown off this campus."



Psi Upsilon gathers at South Hall. Shannon Slawter/Bullet

Frat Boys Found Nude

By Melissa Schreiber
Bullet Staff Writer

Three members of Psi Upsilon, a fraternity on campus that the college does not recognize or endorse, were discovered sitting naked in the lobby of South Hall on Nov. 12 at 1:40 a.m. Michael Smith, a resident assistant at South Hall, discovered the students, one of whom was just taking off his pants, when he went to check on loud noises coming from the lobby area. One of the unclothed fraternity members was the group's president.

Earlier that same evening, Psi Upsilon learned that they had received a full chapter status from their fraternity's national organization. The fraternity claims that these two incidents were not related.

"It was in no way associated with any fraternity dealings," said junior Jim King, president of Psi Upsilon.

"It was independent and by no means associated."

King, junior Scott Studer, and senior Andrew Brunt, were written up in the incident report by Smith for "noise violation."

"I was just woken up [by the noise] and I went to do a routine noise violation. I went into lobby and found two guys completely

naked and one taking off his pants. So far that's the extent of it," Smith said.

Studer confirmed that the three were written up in an incident report for a noise violation, although he claims that they were not making the noise.

"We have three witnesses to the contrary that we were making the noise," said Studer.

Studer would not comment about Smith's claim that two of the fraternity members were naked, and he agreed with King about the fraternity's lack of involvement in the incidents.

Brunt refused to discuss the incident.

"I can't comment on any of that. Residence Life has advised me not to," said Brunt.

Residence Life would not release any information on this case. Senior Clay Trivet, the head resident in South Hall, said that after information about the violations is submitted to Residence Life, it becomes confidential.

Smith said that there were no police involved in the incident and as far as he knew, no alcohol was involved either. So far the three

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College Contracts Out Print, Mail Services

Xerox Given Campus Copying Contract

By Kate Dube
Bullet Staff Writer

Mary Washington College awarded the Xerox Company a three-year contract for mail and copying services based on a needs assessment conducted by the college. Xerox assisted the college with the needs assessment, held in 1993.

According to the Internal Audit Director Helen Vanderland, the college's copying needs were determined with the "Print Strategy Project" undertaken by the college, using Xerox's format of assessment. The results of the assessment were included in the college's proposal for the new system, which was ultimately awarded to Xerox this fall.

From Feb. 14 to Feb. 25, 1993, surveys were placed at all convenience copiers on campus. Xerox designed the basic format of the survey, while MWC chose what options should be included on the survey.

Vanderland added that departments were told the survey would be used in the search for a new copying system and it was to their advantage to participate.

Following the two-week period, Xerox compiled the data into a program that took the raw data, and based on usage patterns, determined what kind of copiers with what features the college needed. Vanderland stated that many companies provide this type of service.

Xerox was awarded its three year contract after scoring highest on the five criteria established by the Virginia Public Procurement Act, which judged a company based on past experiences and financial stability, master plan, personnel/staff available to implement programs and solve problems, financial considerations and the inclusion of women/minority owned businesses, according to Erna Baker, director of purchasing.



Jacob Wheaton, Xerox employee, reloads the Document Center's copier, preparing for another day of completing copying jobs for faculty and staff at the college. Shannon Slawter/Bullet

Mailroom Change-Over Costs College More to Operate

By Alison Eneidy
Bullet Staff Writer

In addition to landing the contract to handle the copying needs of the college, the Xerox Corporation has also taken over the operation of the campus post office and mailing services at an increased cost to the school of more than \$60,000 a year.

The transition took place on Oct. 1 as a means of privatizing and streamlining college operations. According to Material Management Director Erna Baker, when the campus began looking into a new copying service, they were also looking for a broad, campus-wide approach.

"Putting the printing and mailing services contracts under one roof will streamline administrative processes and help costs at both ends," said Baker.

While under control of the college, mail services costs were \$115,000 for fiscal year 1995. According to the bid submitted by Xerox, mail services

under the new contract will cost approximately \$175,964. This figure includes a management fee of \$155,964 and a contingency operating budget of \$20,000. Xerox claims this increase of \$60,964 will be offset by the money saved on copying costs. The Xerox contract with the college projects a \$200,000 savings in that area.

For hiring purposes, Xerox is going through Manpower Temporary Services and giving employees a 90-day trial period. According to Dana Hasty, Site Customer Account Manager for Xerox, the post office is currently employing eight students and 3 full-time employees. A few of the Xerox workers are also employed by both the post office and document center.

Because the post office is now run by a private corporation, all employees, including students, are paid by Manpower Temporary Services.

"As I understand it, the college pays Xerox and Xerox then pays

Manpower," said sophomore Bethany Newlon. "I know that when I get my check, Manpower is the name on it."

According to Hasty, students have recently received a payraise and are now making \$5 an hour. Students are also paid weekly instead of monthly as student employees elsewhere on campus.

According to junior Joe Pierce, a three-year employee of the post office, the changeover has not had a significant impact on the actual mailing services such as intake and output of mail.

"The biggest difference is that we have to deliver big packages around the campus because we aren't employed by the college anymore," said Pierce. "The campus police used to take care of all of that."

According to Newlon, Xerox is trying to put the needs of the students above their own efficiency.

"We have started putting dates on student packages as they come in so

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Freshman Arrested for Stalking

By Carl Poole
Bullet Staff Writer

Randolph Hall freshman Wayne Palmer was arrested Monday, Nov. 28 for stalking and obstruction of justice, after having been charged for sending harassing phone messages to Alvey Hall resident Shirley Wiley two weeks before.

Palmer, who was arrested and then released on his own recognizance, must appear in Fredericksburg District Court on Nov. 14, according to Campus Police Sergeant Rick Knick.

Wiley, a sophomore, says that about a month ago, she had started receiving prank messages with someone breathing into the phone and music with people screaming in the background. She had suspected that the caller was Palmer, who friends said had an interest in Wiley and would frequently meet her when she worked at Simpson Library.

On Nov. 15 at 10:00 p.m., Wiley called campus police claiming that Palmer had been leaving messages all day, but the police couldn't identify

the caller according to Wiley. "That whole day, as soon as he found out I was there, he was calling me every ten minutes," said Wiley.

After contacting the police and reporting the incidents, Wiley received another phone call.

According to Wiley the caller said, "I'm going to kill you. I going to slit your throat and f--- your dead body."

Wiley contacted campus police a second time and this time they went to Randolph Hall to find Palmer and later charged him with the use of profane, threatening, or indecent language over public airways, under criminal code 18.2-427.

Two weeks later, on Nov. 27, Wiley claims that Palmer was following her around campus and telling her that she, "better not tell the police that I was the one who made those phone calls." Wiley went to campus police again and Palmer was charged the next day with stalking and obstructing justice by threats of force, criminal codes 18.2-60.3 and

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News Briefs

Campus Activities

- On Saturday December 9, there will be a Holiday Open House at the James Monroe Museum and Memorial Library. The event is entitled "Celebrate the Holidays with the Monroes" and will be held from 5:30 pm to 8 pm.
- On Thursday December 14, from 5 to 7 pm the CSA is sponsoring a study break for all MWC students. The study break will be in the Campus Center's Tan Lounge and a 6' sub will be provided.
- From December 11 through 15, Mary Washington College is inviting visitors to take a self-guided walking tour around the campus to view some of the Civil War battle sites of the 1862 Battle of Fredricksburg. The walking tour

guidebook is available at many Fredricksburg retail locations or by mail from: The Center for Historic Preservation, E. Lee Trinkle Hall, Mary Washington College, Fredricksburg VA 22401-5358 or by calling (540) 654-1041.

Call For Papers

• All students, faculty and staff are invited to submit finished papers that address issues of race, class, and/or gender for the Spring 1996 issue of Working Papers in Race/Class/Gender. Papers should be 6-10 pages long, double-spaced, and formatted in the style appropriate to the discipline (MLA, APA). Please submit any project to be considered for publication on computer disk, along with three printed copies. For further information, call Prof. Taddesse Adera (x1539), Prof. B. K. Faunce

(x1544), or Prof. Judith Parker (x1537) of the Dept. of English, Linguistics, and Speech.

• Request for abstracts for the 2nd Annual "Across the Curriculum: Contemporary Issues in Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual Studies," a Mid-Atlantic conference to be held at Mary Washington College on February 17, 1996. Topics include pedagogical, substantive, and administrative issues. Please send abstracts on 250-400 words to Dr. Donald Rallis (Dept. of Geography) or Dr. Jennifer Eichstedt (Dept. of Sociology) Mary Washington College, Fredricksburg VA 22401. Abstract due date: Dec. 15, 1995. Inquiries (but no abstracts) can be sent to jreichste@mwc.edu or crucker@mwc.edu or phone (540) 654-1505.

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we can keep track of how long they have been in the mail room," said Newton. "If a package has been there for awhile we'll check and see if maybe the wrong box number is on it. They have also created a new mail route to deliver mail to the departments. They use a motorized cart now to save on time in getting mail to the academic buildings."

Hasty said the mail is now being delivered twice a day to academic and administrative departments, student boxes in the mailroom are being cleaned out every thirty days to prevent a pile-up of unclaimed mail, and employees have begun labeling the inside of student mailboxes with the students' names.

"We are always trying to get the mail in the right boxes," said Hasty. "And we are delivering twice a day around campus because we found that last year mail was sitting in the post

office for three days at a time."

Though there have not yet been any significant changes on the actual mailing service, according to employees, the mailroom has become much more efficient.

"The mail room is much more efficient than it was last year," said employee junior Karen Klapperstuck. "Last year a lot of people just sat around. The Xerox people are a lot more professional and it makes everyone want to work. They are also really flexible about working with everyone's schedules."

According to Pierce, the downside of being more professional is a less personal atmosphere.

"I would agree that everything is more efficient and things are running smoothly," said Pierce. "But I guess it isn't as fun."

According to Newton, most of the student employees had been there at

least a year and were responsible for training most of the incoming Xerox employees. The post office also periodically takes volunteers when there is an especially large volume of mail. Volunteers are required to read a training manual and sign their name pledging that they have read and understand the regulations.

"We were having a lot of problems with volunteers," said sophomore Bethany Newlon. "They were putting mail in the box above the number rather than below and things like that. Now if they are unsure about something, they are required to ask us rather than just guessing."

Hasty also said the post office is modernizing its operations purchasing new equipment such as a new cash register and FAX machine. The post office is also expecting a machine which will be able to computerize bar codes on mail and packages.

always been a negative attitude from students towards the fraternity and he doesn't want the incident "to further this negative reputation."

"Things like the movie Animal House and in the 70's and 80's, fraternities really get a rep [from that kind of behavior]. It's a bit more than partying and socializing. It's something you don't understand unless you do it," said King.

exactly what happened," Trivett said. Trivett also said to his knowledge there have been no other charges filed.

"Someone has to press those [types of] charges and the police were not there," Trivett said.

Brunt meanwhile stated that he has not received any sanctions by Residence Life, for the "noise violation."

According to King there has

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students have only been cited for a noise violation, although according to Trivett, Smith's incident report did state that the students were naked.

"On the write-up it was stated that two of them were naked and one had on boxer shorts. As an R.A. or H.R. we are to follow the rules of the administration. We write up the specifics and let the administration handle it from there. We just explain

CORRECTIONS

In the Nov. 16 issue of the Bulletin, the article entitled "MWC Students Support Senator's Successful Campaign" was written by Dennis Cashman.

In the Nov. 16 issue of the Bulletin, Erica Peterson's name was misspelled and her artwork was placed facing the wrong direction.

In the Nov. 16 issue of the Bulletin, Diane Hatch was identified in a picture as Adrienne Mae.

In the Nov. 16 issue of the Bulletin, Devena McLaurine's name was misspelled.

Xerox Can Save Money

By Kate Dube
Bulletin Staff Writer

Xerox's control of photocopying services at Mary Washington College has begun to raise concerns about the school's academic department budgets, even though college officials project that the new system will save the college \$204,229.

According to Director of Purchasing Erna Baker, over the past years less money was budgeted for improving school's the printing services, and equipment and techniques became outdated, expensive and slow. Departments began to buy or rent copiers with surplus money and make copies themselves, bypassing Printing Services. Several different billing systems and rates developed, some of which were "above industry average." Baker stated that taking a college-wide approach to copying would result in streamlined administrative processes and cut costs.

When departments change where they copy, the college will see the

departments using the Document Center, where copies are 3.5 cents and are made by a member or the Document Center staff. Copies made at the convenience copiers located in academic and administrative buildings, which departments previously relied on, are 5 cents.

Added to the mark-up price, there are hidden costs to departments doing their own copying, said Helen Vanderland, internal audit director. Vanderland said departments using their own copiers were unaware of the costs for maintenance and supplies which had to be absorbed by the total college budget. In addition, there is the hidden cost of employees using their own time to make copies themselves.

Departments began to express concern with the way the new system would affect their budget after the

new copiers arrived. In a memo to department colleagues, Richard Hansen, chair of the English, Linguistics and Speech department, warned faculty of the negative impact that using convenience copiers could have on the department budget. He also sent the memo to College Provost Philip Hall to inform him of the department's concern and efforts to conform to the new system.

Hall responded by telling all the departments that their budgets will be adjusted with money from the college's operating budget to accommodate convenience copying.

Hall acknowledged that the basic goal of the changes, to save money, hinges on whether faculty and staff will change their habit of using convenience copiers to sending copying jobs to the Document Center.

Hansen feels it is too early to judge the new system, saying his department is attempting to learn what services are available from the document center. In general, he feels the center is most beneficial to administrative offices that do large amounts of copying, such as

become aware of the center.

Rosemary Barra, chair of the biology department, said the department has used the Document Center often and is pleased so far with the results.

"As far as I know, everyone has been very pleased with the quality and there doesn't seem to be too much of a delay," said Barra. "That may change when you're into a crunch period like exams, and with something like inclement weather, I can see where there will be some resistance."

Barra said she was encouraging the biology department to use the Document Center for its copying needs. She stated there is always a need for local copying of last minute handouts and small jobs. Although Hall has already said an adjustment in the department budget would be made, Barra feels the department could save money if they continue to use the Document Center, which works effectively for large copying jobs such as class handouts, syllabi and tests.

The Writing Center is using the

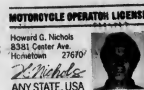
although not entirely by choice. The center's director, Jane Gatewood, said the Writing Center did not realize they would not receive a copier until close to the delivery date for copiers at other campus locations. Gatewood was told the center's need was not great enough to require its own copier.

"We protested a little, we said we needed one, and we still think we do," said Gatewood. "It is not as convenient [to use Trinkle Hall's student, coin-operated copier], of course, and we must compete with students [for the copier]."

Gatewood said she is using the Document Center so the coin-operated machine in Trinkle is not tied up for students.

Savings or extra costs to the college and solutions to other problems from Xerox's contract will not be fully calculated this fiscal year.

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OPINIONS

Honor Doesn't Work

Having the Honor Code at a college is a nice touch. Students can leave their laundry unattended, they can leave their doors unlocked, they can even leave their bookbags outside of Seacoack while they eat. But when people suddenly think they do not have to abide by the Honor Code, a problem arises.

After the Thanksgiving Holiday, several people complained about having things taken out of their dorm rooms. Someone, possibly even a student, actually went into different dorm rooms and took people's personal belongings. How can we expect students to abide by the rules of the Honor Code when their things are being stolen? What's the world coming to?

Perhaps some students just don't take the Honor Pledge seriously. Professors trust us to take tests outside the classroom, RA's trust us when we say we haven't been drinking, but if students keep disrespecting the system, these nice little benefits will soon disappear.

Of course, no part of our society is the perfect utopia, but it is nice to think that at least people can be trusted on this campus. It's too bad a few people have to ruin it for the rest.

Put Your Clothes On

You would think a fraternity who is trying to get recognized by the school would be a little bit smarter than to run around naked. What exactly did that prove? That they are just like the typical fraternity which is exactly what many at this school are opposed to? If the fraternity really wants to be accepted here, maybe they should find an activity that is a bit more constructive.

"The fraternity is going to have to do more than strip to impress people around here."

Not only was this activity unconstructive, but it was also uncreative. The soccer team already pulled this stunt. When the soccer team did this, they got suspended. Obviously that meant running around naked is frowned upon. The fraternity is going to have to do more than strip to impress people around here.

Finals Last An Eternity

What's up with the new final schedule? Who's genius idea was it to stretch finals out for this new eternal length? Who is taking pleasure in the fact that many of us are staying here until Dec. 19 for one measly final? Really, it's okay to have a lot of tests in a period of only one week. We're college students, we can handle it.

Learning Requires Critical Thinking

By Matt Lorenz
Guest Columnist

Are the students who are here because their portly uncle (and most of their other acquaintances) told them, "You'll never get a job if you don't go to college!" now in the majority? Are we odd if our objective in college is to figure ourselves out and, thus, gain an insight into the feelings and situations of others? Sure employment is a plus, but should that be the only end to which we aspire? After all, the reason for one's having been hired to practically any position should regard the knowledge of one's self and of others that results from a college education- not the diploma, but what it should represent.

Yet, Americans colleges continue to confront us with exams which demand that we "cram." (We are all familiar with this word, but for the sake of clarity, perhaps an informal definition: The hurried forcing of often useless facts- this is a matter of preference and personal situation, of course- into one's mind with hopes of retaining them long enough to write them down on a few stapled pieces of paper passed down a row of desks. The objective, undoubtedly, being to receive the pages of already forgotten information back with an A at the top.) How is cramming demanded of us? If the work of a semester in its entirety is determined by one or two grades than one is not left with many options. It is difficult to calmly read and soak in information when the fate of an entire class is determined by a final exam representing 50 or 75 percent of one's semester grade. An institute of higher learning should enable one to learn in a fashion

which would allow the knowledge to remain for many years to come, especially when one considers the tremendous sacrifice demanded due to the presence stance of tuition.

Hopefully, there are some alteration which can be made to rectify- or at least moderate- these difficulties. There are different routes that can be taken by professors who see grades as non-representative of their student's abilities. The college or university can be forced to accept the professor's non-grading or pass-fail policy. Perhaps, the professor will just give a uniform grade to all students, regardless of performance; this, we probably wouldn't like, so what can be done? I am of the opinion that, perhaps, only the grades for subjects in which we can see ourselves employed- or which would be useful in our professional endeavors- should be factored into our grade point averages and released on transcripts. I enjoy my chemistry class, but I can't say as much for the grades in which I receive in it. I understand the reason and necessity for my taking it (I was baffled to discover that I'm even glad it's required), but the grade

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Exploding Pumpkins Captivate Audience

By Kate Dube
Guest Columnist

It being the weekend after Halloween, my friends and I piled on layers of clothes and headed off to the one place anyone should ever go the weekend after Halloween: Lewes, Delaware, for the Punkin Chunkin Festival.

Maybe it sounds like just a way to get rid of the inevitable surplus of pumpkins, but it is so much more. It all started when a group of men began to grow tired of the physical strain and stress imposed as a result of their annual anvil throwing contest. So, they did the next logical thing and held the first Punkin Chunkin contest.

The contest basically consists of propelling eight to ten pound pumpkins through the air by slingshot, catapult or a cannon. No explosives are allowed. The first year,

the winner went 50 feet, hanks to nine years of study and practice, last year's winner "Universal Soldier," a long, thin cannon mounted on a Suburban and painted in camouflage, set a new world record of 2,508 feet.

This year, the event exploded into a two-day event, with over 15,000 spectators and a five dollar entrance fee, which can be avoided by either finding a hole in the fence or staying in the parking lot to the side of the field and drinking beer. Our lovely new frat boy friends report that this is almost as enjoyable as actually watching the pumpkins fly through the air.

These boys, however, were only present for the accuracy contest. This involves participants trying to hit targets at the far end of the field. We didn't actually see anyone hit the targets, but some pumpkins exploded

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Professor Clarifies The Facts

By Hank Lewis
Guest Columnist

I wish to respond to Joshua B. Nelson's column in the Nov. 16 issue of the Bulletin. While this could be an opportunity to defend my own personal stance, I find that it might be a better opportunity to address how Mr. Nelson has missed the mark in his analysis.

Firstly, Mr. Nelson states "has any of the protesting students listened to a word Mr. D'Souza said, rather than turning their backs and looking at the audience, perhaps they would have found themselves agreeing with him."

I find this problematic in that the gesture of turning one's chair does not hinder one's ability to listen. In fact, the students turned their chairs so that they could listen and still make their point; if they didn't want to listen, they would have left. It was very much about hearing what D'Souza had to say, but it was also informing the speaker and the audience that what was being said was offensive to them as African-Americans. If Mr. Nelson made the effort to ask any of these students why they chose to do what they did, he might have

learned that their gesture was one that stood firmly in the Civil Rights Movement tradition of non-combative protest.

Secondly, Mr. Nelson makes mention of my prepared statement which was read at the affirmative action forum, and he comments that the reading of such a statement wasted the time of those attending the forum. I agree. The student who read my statement had not received my permission to read it. It had originally been prepared to be read in a faculty meeting, and had I known it was to be read at the forum, I would not have allowed it.

As a third point, I am rather astounded by Mr. Nelson's assumption that the Committee of Community Values and Behavioral Expectations. In his criticism, he mentions "the fliers that his committee had produced..." which (if we assume Mr. Nelson understands that the pronoun used refers to the most recent proper noun) implicates me as a member of the Committee. Not only is this not true, but it is also rather illogical. Not only have I been the person, who for better or for worse, has been the most critical of the Committee's

"... the students turned their chairs [at the forum] so that they could listen and still make their point..."

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Letters

Cruel Honor Violation Leaves Student Angry

After a long journey back to Mary Washington College, I was relieved to finally arrive at my dorm, until I discovered that during my absence, valuable property had been stolen from my room. I left for Thanksgiving break as did many, with the assumption that, once locked, my personal items would be left untouched. After all, beginning with the preview and continuing through orientation, each student is instilled, bombarded almost, with the regulations of MWC's fine Honor System. Although I realize that in today's society one cannot find a complete utopia, I did expect more of my fellow students' and community members. I find this violation of not only my personal space, but also that of my roommate's, rude and appalling.

To find our room left unlocked, a fairly new VCR stolen, cable wires cut so that the obviously ancient TV can no longer be used until a new one is purchased, and several items disheveled as the culprit was

apparently in a rush, furthered my anger and disbelief. How dare you? Regardless of upbringing or situation, it was innate in me that one can't just take something he may desire sans permission when it does not belong to him, and one certainly doesn't force his way in! If these values weren't apparent to me at an early age, they were firmly in place by the time I headed off to college. By taking what doesn't belong to you, you not only broke our Honor Code, but that of several religious creeds and moral standards. With each issue of the Bulletin, I notice increasingly more property being damaged or stolen. In fact, we were not the only students violated like this in our dorm over the break. What right do these offenders have to take that which was never theirs? Many of us, myself included, chose MWC since it provided security under a renowned system. Why must few compromise the faith of many?

I now wonder what I am supposed to do? Must I now place everything I own under lock and key at an expense that I was told to be unnecessary? Would that be enough, or am I just the joke of some cruel game? That

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FEATURES

Committee Proposes New Sexual Harassment Policy New Policy Would Extend Time Limit For Reporting Harassment Complaints

By Alejandro Elena
Bulletin Staff Writer

A newly proposed sexual harassment policy in 1995 will allow the complainant one year to file a complaint as opposed to the previous policy of a 180 day limit.

Examples of sexual harassment in the new policy would range from "physical assaults or molestation" to "unwelcome and repeated use of sexually degrading language, jokes, or innuendoes."

Chris Kilmartin, associate professor of Psychology and Sexual Harassment Policy Committee Member, said that the reason for revising the 1993 policy was to clarify the college's definition of sexual harassment and the rights of the complainant and advocate.

"The old policy didn't give enough protection for the complainants or the advocate and didn't sufficiently define the role of the advocate," said Kilmartin.

According to Bernie Chirico, Chairman of the Sexual Harassment Policy Committee and the Director of Psychological Services, the new policy would protect all of the parties involved by maintaining confidentiality. However, those specific rights have not been established since the policy is still in its initial stages.

Kilmartin said there are a number of reasons for extending the amount of time for victims to come forward with a complaint. Sometimes the complainant may be working under the alleged harasser and in other cases, students might be harassed by a professor. The harassed student may be afraid of jeopardizing a grade in the class by coming forth with charges of sexual harassment against the professor. The current time restrictions prevent students from changing professors with harassment upon completion of the semester.

Kilmartin also said that in some cases, the victim may need time in order to realize they were sexual harassed in order to pursue the complaint.

Along with the legal definition, MWC will include their own criteria for sexual harassment. According to Renee Herrell, Director of Career Services and a Sexual Harassment Policy Committee Member, this includes the following: "physical abuse, threats or insinuations that may adversely affect a person's employment or academic life by not submitting to sexual advances, repeated accidental brushes or touches, offering sexually suggestive objects, pictures, videotapes, audio recordings, or literature in the work or study area that may embarrass or offend individuals without being used in an educational setting for educational purposes."

Ameeta Vashee, assistant dean for the Multicultural Center and a Sexual Harassment Policy Member, said once the new policy is implemented, it will have a positive impact on the campus by informing people of the exact definition of sexual harassment.

"If people are aware of what constitutes sexual harassment, then it won't happen anymore," she said.

The committee attempted to raise campus awareness about sexual harassment by holding an open forum on Nov. 13 where students, faculty and staff were invited to voice opinions on the proposed policy. Only 11 people attended, seven of them faculty and staff.

Geoffrey Hart, president of the Student Government Association, said at the forum that the panel consisted solely of faculty and staff where students would have no voice in the sanctions of the persons accused of harassment.

"Ideally we should have students as voting

members, but at least have students there at hearings to give the student voice. It's necessary to have students when students are accused," said Hart.

Kilmartin responded that the most accountable panel would be the alleged harasser's colleagues, but the committee would take Hart's suggestion under advisement.

According to Chirico, once the proposed policy has undergone its last revision, it will be sent to William Anderson, college President and the Board of Visitors who have the ultimate decision about the college's rules and procedures regarding sexual harassment.

Herrell said that according to Section 703 of Title VII of the 1964 Civil Rights Act, the college will see any "unwelcome sexual advances, requests for sexual favors and other verbal or physical conduct of a sexual nature as constituting sexual harassment."

The title continues to state "when submission to such conduct is made either explicitly or implicitly, or made for the basis of an individual's employment (or educational) decisions, and/or creates an intimidating, hostile, or offensive working (or educational) environment" as sexual harassment. Under this definition, sexual harassment may involve the behavior of a person of either sex against a person of the other or same sex regardless of a person's status.

Herrell explained that the committee included this definition, after reviewing other schools' sexual harassment policies including the University of Minnesota, the University of Iowa, Middleburg College in Vermont and the University of Santa Barbara to learn what policies worked best.

In the event of sexual harassment occurring, the 1995 policy has two options the complaint could exist. One would be an

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-Renee Herrell
Director of Career Services
and Sexual Harassment Policy Committee Member

informal procedure in which "the complaint is resolved as quickly as possible," yet this procedure would allow "the college to take disciplinary action against the alleged harasser."

The other option would allow the complainant to resolve sexual harassment complaints through official channels with a possible negotiated settlement and/or a panel procedure. The panel will consist of 35 random selected, full-time, continuing college employees. The Provost would submit the panel's verdict to the President, who would decide whether or not to apply the sanction.

Some possible sanctions created by the committee would be: "written warning, suspension, probation, termination, change of position or assignment, or required attendance at a sexual harassment training program," according to the new policy.

With all of the sanctions, except in the case of termination, counseling would be required.

Vashee said the committee did not include this as a potential sanction on the new policy because they did not want counseling to appear as a punishment.

If the complainant is not satisfied with the resolution of these procedures, the individual may use other legal avenues under the "Civil Rights Act of 1964 or with the Commonwealth of Virginia," according to the revised 1995 policy.

The committee's method of educating the whole campus on sexual harassment will consist of various approaches. According to Chirico, committee members will contact faculty, student and staff concerning the future sexual harassment forums through the campus electronic mail system and inserts in the Bulletin. Next year's freshmen orientations will include the updated information regarding Mary Washington's rules and regulations on sexual harassment, while the rest of campus will receive the information through brochures.

Fraternity Gains National Chapter Status, Seeks MWC Recognition

By Dana Birkholz
Bulletin Assistant Features Editor

Numerous proposals to change the traditions at Mary Washington College have been made in recent years ranging from the name of the school to the school's seal to the academic calendar, and each failed in their endeavors. Now an unrecognized Greek fraternity is challenging another MWC tradition.

Psi Upsilon, an official chapter to the national fraternity, plans to open a formal discussion with the college officials next semester about their option of recognition by the college on the historically non-Greek campus.

According to junior James King, president of Psi Upsilon, the local fraternity gained full chapter status on Nov. 11, but is waiting to propose the system to the college until next March when members of the national chapter will be in Fredericksburg.

"They will try to present the pros of the fraternity to whoever will hear them—Dean [Joanne] Beck or the Board of Visitors," said King.

According to King, this prospective meeting is not intended to pressure anyone, but rather to formally state that Psi Upsilon would like to be recognized by the college and to share with the administration how a Greek system can benefit the school.

"I think it would give us a lot more alumni ties to the school. Students don't really have any identity unless you play sports or even if you are a member of the student government you don't have any identity [and a Greek system] gives students that kind of outlet," said King.

According to Marjorie Poyck, executive assistant to the President, other fraternities and sororities that have made the same appeal in the past were denied recognition from the college based on "their discriminatory nature."

"Greek fraternities and sororities tend to promote a segregated and discriminatory environment that is not open or inviting to all students and is counter to the institutional philosophy of Mary Washington," according to Poyck in a written interview with the Bulletin.

Official recognition from the college, according to the Student Handbook, involves approval from any of the following: the Executive Cabinet, the Inter-Club Association, the Board of Publications and Broadcasting, or the Association of Residence Halls. After this approval, an organization must fill out an

application from the Office of Student Activities. Until both of these proposals are passed, an organization cannot affiliate itself with the college in any way.

The Student Handbook further states the policy of denying recognition to student groups who discriminate on any basis was "reaffirmed" Nov. 11, 1989.

Psi Upsilon, some also say, would be in direct violation of the Statement of Non-Discrimination which is posted in every classroom and states that no organization will be recognized by the college if it should "discriminate in selecting members" on any basis including gender.

Senior Caroline Columbia, member of the Council on Community Values and Behavioral Expectations, said that the Statement of Non-Discrimination would have to be changed in order to accommodate a Greek system.

"They are in direct violation with the statement. In the past we have dealt with other groups in violation, but any final decision would have to come from President Anderson's office," said Columbia.

According to Poyck, allowing for a Greek system will change much more than just the Statement of Non-Discrimination.

"For Mary Washington to begin recognizing fraternities and sororities, there would have to be a major change in the institutional philosophy, which would affect far more than the Statement of Non-Discrimination. Any change of this nature would be made only with the approval of the Board of Visitors," wrote Poyck.

Many people have interpreted Title Nine, a federal law concerning discrimination, differently. Members of Psi Upsilon and MWC legal representatives disagree on the meaning of the law.

According to King, under Title Nine a state supported school cannot deny recognition to a fraternity or sorority.

"Title Nine specifically states that social fraternities and sororities can exist at federally funded institutions. [It] is the basic justification we use for us being able to exist at state schools," said King.

However, Rick Kast, the assistant attorney general who represents MWC, said that Title Nine does not specifically address the Greek system.

"Title Nine is a brief provision of the Civil Rights Act [that states that] federal funding can be denied to colleges and universities that discriminate on the basis of gender. [MWC's] policy that prohibits discrimination on the basis of gender would be right in line with the title," said Kast.

According to Rick Kast, the attorney general representing Mary Washington College, there is currently a case that is asking that state supported colleges and universities do not have to recognize fraternities and



The Arms of the Fraternity of Psi Upsilon, symbolizing the secrets, ideals and aims of the fraternity.

sororities.

Meanwhile, King said that the fraternity has not encountered any opposition to the Greek system from the student body.

Student Government Association President Geoff Hart said that in the past the SGA has sponsored polls of the student body's opinion of a Greek system. These polls, he said, have determined that the large majority of the student body does not want a fraternity/sorority system.

"Just knowing the issue and the issues that surround [a Greek system], I think it is going to be a very tough sell. I know this executive cabinet has not been in favor of having social fraternities on campus. We really don't see their purpose," said Hart.

King said that he does not understand why anyone would oppose a fraternity system and that he believes people have received the wrong information about fraternities—stories about out of control drinking and brutal hazing rites—and that because of these they are afraid of the Greek system.

Psi Upsilon is currently in the midst of voting on new pledges and swearing them in, as well as preparing for a March "ritual" where the entire fraternity will be officially inducted into the national chapter. According to King, the ceremony is always kept a secret, although it does not include any of the stereotypical hazing practices.

"We do not have a record of hazing and the fraternity does not condone it," he said.

As of this semester, what the college will not condone is the recognition of a group of students that discriminate against fellow MWC students.

"Mary Washington College has made a conscious effort to foster a social program structure that encourages and welcomes the participation and inclusion of all students in all organizations," wrote Poyck.

Dance Co. Recital Packs Klein Theater

By Allison Eneidy
Bulletin Staff Writer

When the curtain went up in Klein Theater on the night of Dec. 2, members of the Mary Washington College Dance Company were greeted by a full house.

The Dance Company has traditionally presented one recital per semester and according to Box Office Manager Jeanine Boeke, 258 tickets were sold for Friday night's performance and 269 for Saturday out of a theater that can hold 295.

"We were very pleased with the turnout," said the choreographer and Assistant Professor of Dance Jean Graham Hunt. "Considering this was a bad weekend with exams coming up, the turnout was impressive."

The first act, consisting of "Of Tranquil Mind," "Torque," and "K'e," was entirely student and alumnae choreography. Denise Purvis, a 1995 graduate who is now teaching dance in Richmond, suggested the idea of an alumnae-directed piece and drove to Fredericksburg on the weekends for rehearsal of "Torque." Senior Dance major Susan Currence choreographed "Of Tranquil Mind."

Not only was the performance a recital for the MWC Dance Company, but it was also a senior project for Dance major Alison Knuth. All senior dance majors are required to do a project for graduation. In addition to performing in two of the program's, Knuth choreographed "K'e," a piece about unity through diversity and directed the students involved.

"It was a long process from discussing costumes way back in September, to production meetings, it was a very gradual process and it took a lot of work outside of rehearsal time," said Knuth. "But I was extremely pleased. It was almost like a spiritual experience watching it from the wings. Their timing was on and they had so much energy. It really meant a lot to me."

Faculty members Hunt and Senior Lecturer of Dance Eugene Roscoe choreographed the second half of the performance with "A Ceremony of Carols" by Hunt and "Spiritual Walking" by Roscoe.

Despite the success of the program an air of uncertainty and sadness hung over the performance. According to junior Darcy Hart, morale in the department has begun to fall due to the discontinuation of the Dance major by the Board of Visitors in 1994.

"Everyone is glad [the performance] is over because of the time constraints," said Hart. "But it is sad at the same time. Most of us felt like it was our best performance and it may be one of our last. After this year, we're all asking ourselves: Who's going to choreograph? Are there going to be enough dancers? Where are we going to get the money we need? All of a sudden it's coming crashing down."

Hart also said she is surprised at the number of people who didn't realize the dance department still existed.

"A lot of people told me they came to the concert to

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see what was going on because the didn't think Mary Washington still had a dance program," said Hart. "People have started to forget about us."

Though Hart was pleased about the number of people who came to show their support, she said that many members of the Company were disappointed at the lack of support from the administration.

"We were all hoping to see some Board members there so they could see what they were cutting and show a little support for what could be our last performance," she said.

Despite the termination of the dance major at the College, Hunt said the MWC Dance Company will continue to perform and will definitely hold a spring performance featuring student choreography.

"As long as the school continues to attract students who have interest in and the ability to dance, we will continue to perform," said Hunt.

According to Hunt, there are approximately 25 to 30 students in the company with the majority receiving elective credit for their involvement. Students are required to audition for the Company in both the fall and spring because the needs of the choreographers change in terms of what types of dancers they need. The class of 1997 will be the last class with the opportunity to graduate with a major in dance.



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Top: The MWC Dance Company prepares for their Fall Dance Recital; **Right:** Senior Heather Spring performs the routine during a dress rehearsal the day before the big night.



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SPORTS

SPORTS BRIEFS

Bullet Player of the Week

Stefanie Teter takes home the lofty title of Bullet Player of the Week, and just in time for the holidays.

She had quite a week: she was named First-Team All-South Region in soccer, and recorded her first career triple-double in basketball, scoring 13 points, grabbing a career-high 11 rebounds, and dishing out a school record 13 assists in the Eagles' 69-67 win against Bridgewater.



Stefanie Teter

MWC players named to All-Region Soccer Teams

Five standout Mary Washington soccer players continued to rack up the post-season honors this week by being named to the All-South Region teams.

For the Eagle women, midfielders Stefanie Teter and Kim Hrabosky made the first team, while back Victoria Rheinstrom made the third team.

The men saw sweeper Jeff Kramer made his third All-Region team in four years. He was named to the first team. Forward Chris Belloch made the second team. Belloch tied for the team lead in scoring with 21 points this year.

Teter, Hrabosky and Kramer are all under consideration for All-American honors by virtue of their first-team selections. Teter was a second-team All-American in 1994.

Basketball Box Scores:

Men

HAMPTON-SYDNEY (51)										
Min	FG	FT	Reb	PF	A	Pts				
DeVan	30	2-5	3-6	9	2	7	7			
Cardwell	6	1-1	0-0	0	1	0	3			
Garr	18	0-2	0-0	5	1	0	0			
Robbins	29	7-12	0-0	3	3	2	20			
Ross	29	4-12	0-0	9	2	1	11			
Habenicht	13	0-4	0-0	1	2	0	0			
Hobbs	23	4-5	0-1	6	3	3	8			
Sheridan	28	4-10	3-7	8	4	0	11			
Sharp	17	1-3	1-4	5	4	0	3			
Neuner	7	1-2	2-3	2	0	0	4			
TOTALS	23-56	11-21	56	22	12	67				

MARY WASHINGTON (46)

Min	FG	FT	Reb	PF	A	Pts				
Love	10	0-0	0-0	1	1	0	0			
Mahoney	16	2-4	0-0	0	0	0	6			
McCarthy	34	3-11	3-6	4	3	1	11			
Faccio	13	2-7	2-4	1	1	1	6			
Presny	26	2-3	1-2	3	1	0	7			
Johnson	34	3-9	4-5	1	1	4	10			
Privett	13	1-3	4-6	3	3	0	6			
Zenker	12	1-4	1-2	1	1	0	3			
Bursch	12	0-2	0-0	1	4	0	0			
Burch	30	5-13	1-2	10	4	3	11			
TOTALS	19-58	16-27	29	19	10	60				

Women

CHRISTOPHER NEWPORT (2-6)

Min	FG	FT	Reb	A	Pts				
Madden	13	0-4	0-0	2	1	0			
Doughty	14	1-5	0-0	0	2	2			
Walden	11	0-1	1-2	1	0	1			
Wright	3	0-1	0-0	0	0	0			
Edwards	29	2-12	0-1	5	2	5			
Pool	24	3-4	3-4	4	0	9			
Smith	22	6-12	4-5	7	1	16			
Martin	20	2-4	1-3	2	5	5			
Stallings	30	4-10	1-2	10	9	9			
Allen	19	2-6	0-1	3	1	4			
Joseph	15	8-11	2-5	8	0	19			
TOTALS	28-70	12-24	49	9	70				

MARY WASHINGTON (4-1)

Min	FG	FT	Reb	A	Pts				
Coates	NA	6-17	4-7	8	1	16			
Sellers	3-11	5-7	5	0	11				
Harrison	4-5	5-6	4	0	13				
Teter	5-10	9-12	11	6	19				
Barnes	0-3	1-2	5	0	1				
Salmin	2-5	2-2	1	0	6				
Karousos	0-4	0-0	6	0	0				
Seckford	3-11	2-3	3	1	8				
TOTALS	23-66	28-39	52	8	74				

Upcoming Events . . .

Women's Basketball (4-1)

No games scheduled until after the holidays.

Men's Basketball (1-6)

No games scheduled until after the holidays.

Swimming (Men 2-1; Women 2-1)

No games scheduled until after the holidays.

Intramural Sports

Nothing scheduled until after the holidays.

Football (9-0)

Beat Mount Holyoke, 45-10.

Winter Break

Happy Holidays to one and all from the

Bullet Sports Staff. Go easy on the egg nog.

Women's Hoops Starts Strong

Eagle Women are 4-1 After 74-70 Victory Tuesday Night

By Les Shaver
Bullet Staff Writer

The MWC women's basketball has gotten off to a good start, posting a 4-1 record in this young season.

The Eagles tipped off the season at the Ferrum Tip-Off Tournament with two wins. On win was a victory over host and 1995 NCAA participant Ferrum College. The other win was over

After this successful start, the Eagle cagers then headed west for a contest versus state rival Bridgewater College at Nininger Hall. In this battle of the Eagles, Mary Washington was victorious, posting a victory. In this 69-67 win, senior Stefanie Teter led the Eagles with her first career triple-double, while fellow senior Robin Coates added a career-high 23 points. However, two minutes into the contest MWC lost sophomore forward Lindsey Slover, who was MVP of the Ferrum tournament and is a team leader for the year with a torn ACL in her knee. Coach Connie Gallahan simply calls it "a very tough loss."

Without Slover, an already young team, will have to rely on youth even more. Gallahan explains, "The inexperienced players have to step up a little bit."

This youth movement was put to the

test when the Eagles took the court against Frostburg State with freshmen Mina Karousos and Andrea Sellers in the starting lineup. In this contest, like the one at Bridgewater, the Eagles held a lead most of the way, however, down the stretch a few mistakes cost them the game as they lost 63-60. Freshman Andrea Sellers had a career-high 17 points, Sophomore Ashley Seekford contributed 14 points, and Coates tallied 13 points in the game.

After a few days off, the Eagles returned to the hardwood for their home opener Tuesday night against 1995 NCAA participant Christopher Newport.

After trailing 39-36 at intermission, the Eagles came back strong, eventually ending up with a 74-70 victory. Stefanie Teter led the team with 19 points, 11 rebounds and six assists. Robin Coates added 16 points and 8 rebounds. "We came together, worked together in the second half," Sellers said. "We stopped fouling and moved our feet."

In spite of the loss of Slover, Gallahan is excited about her youthful squad. However with youth comes an adjustment period that the Eagles must work through to move back into CAC contention.

When asked about her team's youth, Gallahan states, "We are still experimenting with combinations and playing time, and we are still learning alot about ourselves."



Kara Fitzpatrick/Bullet

Stefanie Teter puts a move on a Christopher Newport defender.

Men's Basketball Struggles to Find Success in New Year

By Tamara Morse
Bullet Staff Writer

The Mary Washington Men's basketball team grabbed their first victory of the season Tuesday night against Western Maryland College.

Their third game in four days, the non-conference matchup marked the end of the Eagles' first-semester play.

The 86-78 victory improved the Eagles' record to 1-6. The win was crucial for the team according to freshman point guard David Love. "The game was a really big win for us," he said, "We were feeling pretty down."

Head coach Tom Davies started a younger group of players in the game including Love, sophomore guard Christian Canino, junior guard Dave Mahoney, freshman forward Joe Faccio and sophomore forward Erik Bursch.

Love and freshman Mike Privett, who came off the bench later in the game, led the Eagles in scoring for the game with 14 points apiece. The Eagles benefited greatly from improved shooting. "We worked better as a team. We made some big shots," Love said.

Davies agreed, saying that the team has improved greatly, particularly in their last three games. "We've improved [our] ball movement. We have a better team inside than we've had in awhile," he said.

Davies feels that the team's weaknesses have been in rebounding and shooting. "We've given up a little more on defense than we'd like to. We've been out rebounded," he said.

Nowhere was that more evident than in Monday's game against Hampden-Sydney. The Eagles were out rebounded 56-29 and shot a paltry 19-58 from the floor in a 67-60 loss.

However, even with Tuesday night's victory, the impact from

the first six losses is great. Love said that the losses have been discouraging. "We were disappointed by the losses, but when we look back, it was good for the experience," he said.

The Eagles had a tough early schedule with several games against non-conference teams. Their only CAC game so far was an 81-79 loss at St. Mary's. Davies said that the narrow loss is representative of his team's strengthening.

The inexperience of the team has been a struggle for the players, but Love said that the older players have shown good leadership. Team captain Mike Johnson has been a driving force, Love explains. "Mike is a very good leader. He gives us a lot of confidence going into games. His experience helps us along," he said.

Looking ahead to next semester, Davies said that he is looking for improved overall cohesiveness within the team. He anticipates growing improvement in rebounding and shooting accuracy.

After returning from the holiday season, the Eagles should be back at full strength with the injured players getting a chance to heal. Davies hopes that junior forward Justin McCarthy, who has been plagued by chronic knee problems, will recover to full strength. McCarthy, injured or not, leads the team in scoring with 12.7 points per game.

Love said that the team also looks forward to the return of sophomore forward Marvin Felix and freshman forward



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Freshman forward George Bunch attempts a layup against Hampden-Sydney. The Eagles lost, 67-60.

Keith Kiedrow.

He also feels that it is very important to stay in shape over the long break. He hopes that when the team returns, that they will get better and win more games. "We'll be ready to get some wins and put a winning streak together," he said.

Davies feels that the Eagles will pull it together as a team and convert their efforts into more wins. "It is very clear in my mind that we are improving and will be a better ball team," he said.

Swimmers Continue to Dominate CAC

By Eric Gaffen
Bullet Staff Writer

The Eagles continued their winning ways this past week, claiming back-to-back victories this week over Capital Athletic Conference opponents. On Nov. 28, host MWC crushed St. Mary's in both men's (116-77) and women's (110-77) action. The following night, Mary Washington traveled to York College and triumphed easily again, the men winning 119-64 and the women claiming a 107-58 win.

"We're very happy with way we've swum the first half of our season," said Junior Steve Smith. Fellow Junior and coaching assistant Eric Earling adds,

"Our record shows that we're better than past years, but what really indicates that is the overall improvement of racing in the midst of hard training."

The important fact of the team's progress is not necessarily measured in the dual meet record. Rather it is the effectiveness of the training, how each member is progressing, and the unity of the team that dictates a successful season. The most important training time of the year is rapidly approaching: the Florida trip. This trip provides an opportunity for the swimmers to focus on swimming, free of distractions. At MWC, theswimmers might have peaked at 8,000 yards a day (not including distance swimmers), whereas Florida will bring

grueling 13,000-14,000 yards a day.

In the St. Mary's meet, Junior Tim Selgas claimed first in the 50-yard freestyle (22.86) and the 100 butterfly (54.32). Senior Lee Lewis won the 100 (49.45) and the 200 (1:49.11) free. Smith won the 100 back (56.55). Sophomore Ken Kockler took first in the 400 individual medley (4:39.02). Senior Scott Wagner won the 100 breaststroke (1:04.14). Junior Matt Nisley won the 1650 free (18:10.78), and Sophomore Billy Prout won the 500 free (5:09.83). The 2000 medley relay team of Smith, Wagner, Sophomore Chris Rice and Freshman Kyle Colvin won in 1:43.57 and the 200 free relay team of Lewis, Senior



By Zak Billmeier
and Brian Schumacher

Nursing bullet wounds this week:

1. College Hoop "Contests"

What is with these NCAA Division I basketball schedules? The beginning of this season has given ardent viewers little or nothing to cheer about. The reason? Look at who they're playing. Here are a few examples from this past week: Georgetown vs. Southern New Orleans (an NAIA school - this is like Mary Washington playing UCLA), Arkansas vs. Alcorn State (no, Air McNair didn't play basketball there). Look at some scores: Minnesota 93, Bethune-Cookman 53. Arkansas 103, North Carolina A&T 49. University of Alabama-Birmingham 105, Prairie View 52. To name a few. Wait, no. A couple more. The aforementioned sixth-ranked Hoyas also played Rutgers. Gotta keep that AP ranking. Drake University has toughened up its schedule by adding Big Ten powerhouse Iowa and Big West power Utah. Good luck, men. The margin of victory in these games rivalled that of Florida State's early-season football scores. And remember: the scores wouldn't even be that close if the third string and the kid that polishes Nolan Richardson's shoes hadn't played the entire second half.

Why have so many games during the season when these teams can have intrasquad games that are much more interesting? It might be neat for some of these kids to play on national television rather than on the local community college public access channel (where the game is tape-delayed so that interested citizens can see the minutes of the latest PTA meeting and lists of who got charged with drug possession last month before showing the game), but it is really worth the humiliation? The Gun knows that MWC's faithful thrall of hoop fans wouldn't turn out in their usual drunken droves to see Mary Washington play Walker-Grant. Come on.

2. The Toronto Raptors

As if the sight of expansion basketball wasn't degrading enough to the sport one of the new team decided to come up with the worst nickname in sports - the Raptors.

This pathetic attempt to carve out a niche in NBA merchandise sales by capitalizing on the popularities of Jurassic Park and dinosaurs in general is shameful. We thought that the

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Orlando Magic was a bad name, but this takes the prize. What makes this debate even worse is the fact that their uniforms are about as bad as their name.

However, there may be hope for Toronto, they may not have the worst name in sports for very long. Rumor has it that when the Houston Oilers move, they will change their name to the Tennessee Tuxedos. Ouch. Furthermore, the Bullets are still looking for a new name, and God only knows what that could end up being.

3. NBA Refs

The fight-marred beginning of the NBA season was blamed almost solely on the replacement referees, not the league's players. Rather than go into that, let's look at the reason why the old refs weren't there.

Like all people that are involved with American professional sports today, the zebras were holding out for more money. They claimed that the whistle-blowers from other sports were getting more money than they were, and that the NBA was therefore giving them a raw deal. And nobody gives them a raw deal.

After all of the biting, scratching and clawing was finished, the refs found themselves with a new deal. Rookie refs get a minimum salary of \$75,000, and refs with a lot of experience can top out at \$278,000. Not bad, huh? A top representative of the referees somethingorother association said that the new deal puts them more or less on the same level of pay with Major League Baseball umpires, but "not even close" to hockey refs.

There's a reason why hockey refs get more money: They get the stuffs knocked out of them every game. Next time you go to a hockey game, watch the poor stripeys diving over the boards, getting knocked around, and generally just taking punishment. They have to break up fights, too. The Gun says pay them what they want.

They definitely earn it.

4. Left Eye's Lover

Andre Rison, the much maligned but incredibly talented Cleveland wide receiver, first made headlines by getting his house burned down by TLC diva Lisa "Left Eye" Lopez. Now, he's done it again.

Rison threw a tantrum last week when the schizoid Browns fans booed him during a Cleveland loss. There were enough bleeps in his tirade to send a Morse code message somewhere. This week, though, he really crossed the line.

Rison was running a reverse during the first half when he was run out of bounds and hit late by an opposing defender. Because nobody does that to Andre Rison without gettin' his, Rison got up in the guy's face and presumably asked him not to do that to him again. At halftime, Rison began peeling off his uniform and screaming at teammates because they didn't come to his aid. Coach Bill Belichick intervened. No word yet from Belichick on what sort of disciplinary action Rison can expect. Hopefully, it's a lot. Cry, baby, cry.

5. Dallas Cowboys

How 'bout them cowboys? Tough week to be a Cowboys fan, wasn't it? Actually, we're not going to say much about Dallas. What is there to say, other than that they were swept this season by the lowly Washington Redskins, and lost the cornerstone of their defense, Charles Haley, for the season? ok, just one more thing: Heath Shuler. ouch.

6. Washington Redskins "Fans"

A few weeks ago, we stated in our column that the Redskins, well, sucked. Now, despite their victory over the Cowboys on Sunday, we

still hold by that statement. However, we've discovered something that's actually worse than the Redskins - their fans.

Let us turn your attention towards Heath Shuler. Let's face it, Shuler's play thus far in his brief career has been horrendous. He has seemed to lack poise, he's had questionable judgement, and he has not shown much leadership on the field. However, there is one thing to remember: He's never had a long enough opportunity to acquire those skills he is lacking. He hasn't had the chance because the Redskins' fans haven't let him.

From the very first time Heath trotted out onto the field at RFK Stadium he has been booed by the fans. He has been called things by the press and by these "fans," which have been just plain ignorant. People were saying last season, his ROOKIE season that he was a bust, and was never going to amount to anything in the NFL. People said he was too stupid to be an NFL quarterback. Excuse me, have you ever heard Troy Aikman or Terry Bradshaw open their mouths?

The fact is that you can't tell a thing from a quarterback's first few games. Keep in mind that Shuler has still only played about six games from start to finish in the NFL. If these "fans" would compare Heath's numbers so far to some of the all-time greats, they might see that. Not that we are saying Shuler is going to be great, or even good for that matter. We are merely saying that all those Redskin-lovers out there should shut their mouths for a while and see what happens. Maybe a while down the road, time will have proven that the guy is a loser. Fine. Then you can criticize all you want. But until that time, quit yer cryin'. Who knows? Maybe in a few years he will have shown that he was worth the Redskins' pick. Maybe by then his contract will be up and he'll decide that he doesn't want to play in the town that criticized him so harshly. That would be justice for the worst fans in pro sports.

B.S. (Bullet Staff) Polls

Pro Football

1. San Francisco (39)
2. Kansas City (34)
3. Green Bay (31)
4. Dallas (30)
5. Oakland (23)
6. Pittsburgh (18)
7. Philadelphia (15)
8. Buffalo (14)
9. Detroit (10)
10. Minnesota (3)

College Football

1. Nebraska (38)
2. Florida (38)
3. Northwestern (30)
4. Ohio St. (28)
5. Tennessee (24)
6. Texas (19)
7. Colorado (13)
8. Florida St. (10)
9. Virginia Tech (5)
10. Notre Dame (5)

College Hoops

1. Kansas (37)
2. UMass (35)
3. Kentucky (26)
4. Villanova (25)
5. Arizona (23)
6. Wake Forest (21)
7. UConn (14)
8. Iowa (13)
9. Georgetown (9)
10. Mississippi St. (6)

Pro Hockey

1. Pittsburgh (38)
2. Philadelphia (36)
3. Detroit (32)
4. Florida (26)
5. Colorado (25)
6. NY Rangers (21)
7. Chicago (13)
8. Winnipeg (12)
9. New Jersey (8)
10. Los Angeles (5)

We here in the Bullet Sports Department have decided to unveil our new top 10 list format this week. After weeks of thought and experimentation, we have found a new format which will allow us to present four top 10 lists each week.

How the B.S. Poll works: much like the better known A.P. Poll, the B.S. Poll is based on a point system. Four members of the Bullet Sports Staff, Zak Billmeier, Brian Schumacher, Eric Gaffen,

and Les Shaver will each submit their top 10 lists in each of the sports to the home office. Each position in the lists will be assigned a numerical value from one to 10. In each list the team ranked No. 1 will receive 10 points, the No. 2 team will receive nine points, No. 3, eight points, and so on. The point totals of each team will be listed in parentheses.

Note: In addition to the four charter members, guest pollsters may be included, and will be noted. For

example, special hockey expert and Bullet Opinions Editor, Jenine Zimmers will often contribute to the hockey poll.

Ties will be broken by the following criteria. First, by which team received the most votes. Second, by which team had the single highest ranking on one of the lists. If the two teams are still deadlocked, a tie will be declared. If you have any suggestions for tiebreakers, call us at 654-1133.

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Cordis Carter, Selgas and Colin won in 1:31.44.

On the women's side, first-place finishers included: senior Gretchen Hurley in the 100 breaststroke (1:10.44) and the 100 fly (1:03.23), senior Liz Darcy in the 200 (2:02.83) and 500 (5:29.50) free, senior Sarah King in the 100 back (1:03.64), sophomore Jessica Green in the 100 free (56.76), senior Nancy McClain in the 400 individual medley (4:54.44) and junior Emily Williams in the 1650 free (18:28.09). The 200 medley relay team of sophomore Cindy Davis, Hurley, Green, and freshmen Carson Wasserman won in 1:59.27, while the 200 free relay team of Darcy, senior Eliza Barcus, sophomore Charis Armstrong, and

Green won in 1:47.62.

At York, where the men won 119-64, Prout led the way with victories in both the 100 (50.86) and 1000 (11:02.22) free, while Sophomore Matt Anderson also claimed double victories, in the 500 (2:37.73) and the 200 back (2:09.22). Also winning for the men was Rice in the 500 free (5:15.65), Nisley in the 200 free (1:56.94), Carter in the 200 individual medley (2:19.10), Freshman Nathan Zaleski in the 200 fly (2:09.58) and Junior Matt Kennedy in the 200 breast (2:31.97). The 200 medley relay team of Anderson, Carter, Kockler and Zaleski won in 1:49.46, and the 200 free relay of Prout, Sophomore Alex Inge, Nisley and Zaleski won in

1:35.00.

The women had a plethora of first-place finishers in the 110-77 York victory: Barcus in the 100 (58.86) and 200 (2:05.94) free, freshman Jessica Rhodes in the 50 free (26.94) and 200 fly (2:28.24), Davis in the 500 free (5:49.99), junior Ginger Newnam in the 200 breast (2:38.38), McClain in the 200 IM (2:22.60), sophomore Stephanie McKnight in the 1000 free (11:43.57) and Darcy in the 200 back (2:23.09). The 200 medley relay team of Davis, Hurley, McClain and Wasserman won in 1:59.44, while the 200 free team of McKnight, Armstrong, Davis, Wasserman won in 1:49.43.

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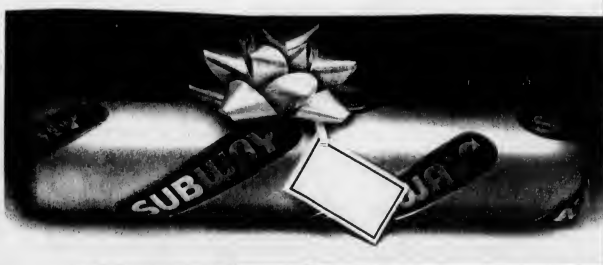
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ENTERTAINMENT

Scantlin's Swingin' Sound Sweeps Through Lee Hall

By Ryan A. MacMichael
Bulletin Staff Writer

Though by nature, I was a wallflower most of the night, the big band/swing sounds of Doc Scantlin and his 13-piece Imperial Palms Orchestra had even me ("Two Left Feet" MacMichael) on the floor during their performance Friday night in a crowded Lee Hall Ballroom.

The event, originally scheduled to cost \$1, ended up being a free concert. According to Giant Entertainment employee Jamie Simpson, this decision was made simply to attract a larger audience rather than worry about making money.

Scantlin and his band played such jazz classics as Louis Armstrong's "St. Louis Blues" (featuring Scantlin on vocals), George Gershwin's "Someone to Watch Me," and the Glenn Miller staples, "In the Mood" and "Pennsylvania 6-5000." Some members of the band clearly had as good of a time as the people dancing, as they played their horns into each other's ears to distract the person in front of them.

The band formed in Washington in 1983 with 10 musicians. "I always wanted to do it, but I never thought it would work," Scantlin said. "I never had any idea about ever doing it more than just occasionally for free."

Besides the thirteen musicians, "The Lovely Miss Julie," "Shoo-Shoo," and three other women helped with the act.

"It's become more of a show as opposed to [being] just for dancing," Scantlin said. The show includes a conga line led by "Miss Julie," Cotton-Club-type dance routines, and the "cigarette girl" who made her way around the crowd.

Scantlin, who has performed at Mary Washington several times before, has a variety of people he lists as favorites or inspirations for his performance. Louis Armstrong, Glenn Miller, and Cab Calloway are at the top of his list.

"And whoever [else] played that kind of music. Like whoever was the guy on my Aunt Kathleen's 78 that sang 'When the Red, Red Robin Comes Bob, Bob Bobbin'

Along," he said.

"Just that sound from the 20s, 30s, and 40s that I liked," Scantlin said. "Some of it was romantic, some of it was really hard driving, [it had] a lot of energy, some of it was fun and cutesy, innocent, sexy... a lot of different emotions in that kind of music."

Scantlin seems to live the big band lifestyle, from his microphone down to his car. Every venue he enters is like a nightclub right from the streets of Harlem.

"It was the rock and roll of the 20s, 30s, and 40s," Scantlin said. "Everybody listened to it, everybody would go dancing. They would go down to the local night club and there would be a band like this in every little small town. Dozens of them."

Scantlin admits to being surprised at the enthusiasm among college students for this type of music.

"We do several balls in Washington with people in their 20's and it really surprises me because they hire us year after year," he said. "And it's the older ones, the ones in their 60's that request disco and rock and roll."

"I think part of it is novelty, I think part of it is nostalgia. When something is old, to people that live through it, it can be something that's just old fashioned," Scantlin explained. "But to someone that's never heard it, it can be something brand new. It might as well have been invented the day before yesterday."

Scantlin and his band have played with George Burns' orchestra, at Ronald Reagan's birthday (which Margaret Thatcher attended), and for the weddings of two daughters of a multi-billionaire who "owns all the duty-free stores in the airports." One of the two daughters celebrated her 21st birthday in the Rainbow Room in New York, spending \$225,000. And, of course, Scantlin played there, too.

But the glitz and glamour are not what Scantlin loves most about his job. To him, playing for college students is just as satisfying.

"The most fun is just playing for the people that enjoy it," said Scantlin. "It's so much fun when you have college kids dancing to your music, that's the most fun."



Doc Rocks!

Doc Scantlin brought his Imperial Palms Orchestra to Lee Hall Ballroom last Friday night. The event was free of charge and brought back the sounds of the 20s, 30s, and 40s.

Above: Three members of Scantlin's band sing into a microphone straight outta the 20s as the big band sound dominated the evening.

Right: Ernie Yermoli chats it up with yet another member of the Imperial Palms Orchestra.

All Photos by Shannon Slawter



Disney and Hanks do it Again, and Again, and Again...

THE TOYS ARE BACK IN TOWN

MOVIE
REVIEW

By Rob Thormeyer
Bulletin Entertainment Editor

Forget Steve Martin this Christmas. Golden...what? Nope, none of that here please. If you want real action this Holiday Season, check out the only movie in town that has it all (digitally enhanced, that is), "Toy Story."

"Toy Story," the first computer animated feature film, will leave both kids and adults laughing hysterically and wanting more. And of the computer graphics were not enough, the film features the voices of Tom Hanks, TV's Tim Allen, and a host of other bit-part Hollywood actors who bring the "toys" to life.

In the movie, Hanks' Woody, a talking cowboy, leads the brigade of characters known as Andy's Toys. Being Andy's favorite, Woody has the auspicious luck of sleeping on Andy's bed, going on journeys to Pizza Planet, and other such adventures that only a boy and his favorite toy could share. The rest of the toys, including a wise-cracking Mr. Potato Head (voice of Don Rickles), a piggy-bank (voice of ex-Cheers John Ratzenberger), a dog shaped stinky (voice of Jim Varney), and Little Bo Peep (voice of Annie Potts), are secondary to Andy and are often the victims of his imaginative exploits.

All is well and good until Andy's birthday. After all the presents have been opened and the toys breath a sigh of relief (thanks to the resourceful Bucket of Soldiers). However, Andy's Mom springs a surprise gift — a Buzz Lightyear action doll.

Buzz quickly replaces Woody as Andy's favorite toy despite the fact that he is unaware of his stature as a toy. Buzz, voice of Tim Allen, thinks he is the real Buzz Lightyear, stranded on an alien planet. The toys take a quick liking to Buzz except Woody, who can sense a shift in Andy's toy hierarchy. As Andy's love for Buzz grows, jealousy grows deep inside of Woody, and not even the encouragement of Bo Peep can calm him down.

However, despite all of Andy's actions, Buzz is still convinced he is



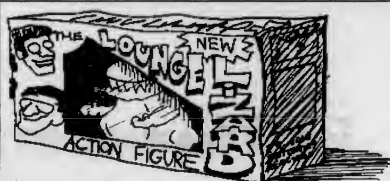
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Slinky Dog, Little Bo Peep, Mr. Potato Head, and Woody the cowboy in a dramatic moment in "Toy Story;" inset: Buzz finds his arms in working order after a run-in with Sid, the toy hating neighbor.

truly Buzz Lightyear. Buzz even "flies" to prove himself correct. Well, it was actually "falling with style," but it was enough to gain the bulk of the toys' confidence. Woody, though, was not amused. The feud grows until Woody and Buzz mysteriously disappear and fall into the hands of the sinister Sid, the kid who lives next door and abuses toys. Will they make it out alive? That's for us to know and you to find out.

While the computer graphics are certainly nothing to ignore, the characters themselves are the dominate feature of "Toy Story." The conflict between Buzz and Woody is classic, leaving us with such great one-liners as "You're mocking me, aren't you," among others. Allen's Lightyear is funny and likable, giving him something else to be known for besides "The Santa

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By Rob Thormeyer and David McKim
Bulletin Staff Toy Marketers

Some toys WE'D like to see for the holidays...

1. **Barney Visits Jurassic Park (VHS):** Oh No, that wacky purple dinosaur is at it again, this time he's a bit over his head. Huh? What's Barney saying? "Help me!!!!" Ooh, that's our Barney! Always trying to make friends. Oh no! Barney seems to have aggravated a giant T-Rex! What Barney? You can't feel your left leg? Well, that's because its not there anymore, you silly-billy! (Parental Guidance Suggested)

2. **Ted the Red-Nosed Kennedy (Ages 5-Adult):** Ted Kennedy like you never seen him before! Or, well, most likely you have. Made of the finest plastic Taiwan has to offer, this doll captures the drunken Yuletide cheerfulness in all of us. Kids will go nuts over the "chugging action" arm. Notice the fine detail in the red nose.

3. **The Jimmy Carter Action Figure (Ages 6-100):** Your kids will be underjoyed with excitement with this great new action figure. Watch Jimmy, well, just sit there and do nothing! But wait, there's more! Only ten years down the road, the Jimmy Carter action figure will do things you've never dreamed an ex-Action Figure could do! Nobel Prize sold separately. Not recommended for the instant gratification kids of our generation.

4. **Sly Stallone's Hooked On Phonics CD-ROM:** That's right parents! Improve your speaking impaired child's linguistics with this sure-fire winner. Guaranteed to have your kid speaking phrases like "Adrian," "Court's Adjourned," and the ever-famous "Yo" in three days or less. Your child will be learning fast because if he/she makes a mistake, Stallone's "unique" way of correcting will make certain that your child will never make the same mistake twice. Special features include "Sing-a-long with Rambo," "ABC's Made easy by Rocky," and a game your kid will love, "Find My Career."

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Dec. 11: Lauri Rose Griffith, singer/acoustic guitarist

Dec. 17: Marc Carroway, singer/acoustic guitarist

Dec. 18: Pete Fields, acoustic guitarist

Santa Fe Grille & Saloon:

Dec. 10: Linwood Taylor Band, blues, 10 p.m., \$4

Dec. 17: Jordan Patterson, blues, 10 p.m., \$4

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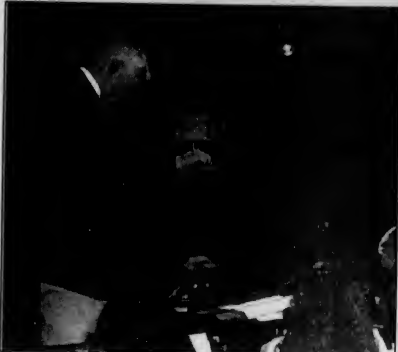
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OH MY GOD!!!

Good luck and best wishes for a great holiday season from all of us here at the Bulletin Staff (kind of sappy, but oh well!!).



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So, what did YOU do last weekend?

Left: Sunday night offered free music entertainment as well as free coffee to the first 100 patrons to the Underground. Sponsored by Mortar Board, two bands, Chasing Magic (pictured) and Cover provided the sounds and the Coffeehouse provided the steamin' hot cups o' joe. Andrea Frome (center) provided the vocals for both bands.

Lower Left: The MWC/Community Orchestra performed their annual Pops Winter Concert last Friday night to a standing-room only audience in Dodd Auditorium. The orchestra, under the leadership of Dr. James Baker (pictured, far left), performed a medley of Christmas carols, World War II favorites as well as a tribute to Judy Garland. Heather Holcombe (pictured, immediate left) provided the vocals for the Garland tribute.

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5. The Apollo 13 Simulator Game (For Sega Genesis and Super Nintendo): Can you maneuver a left-for-dead space capsule through the bitter confines of space? Probably not, so don't bother.

6. "Hollywood: The Boardgame" (Ages 3-4-28): Do you have what it takes to be a Hollywood superstar? Are you commercially attractive, devoid of all common sense, lacking talent? Then YOU could be the next Keanu Reeves of our time. Press the Pop-O-Matic bubble, move ahead four spaces and land a movie deal! Get enough money and start your very own theme restaurant! Oh-uh, agent alert! Oh no, the Weekly Star prints your nude photographs! To save your career, you decide to endorse a Psychic Friends Phone Network with Dionne Warwick. Oooh, I'm sorry, you're finding out the hard way that it's easier to inflate your ego than it is to inflate your wallet.

7. The Stealth Plane (Ages 15-3): Now you can be there on the front lines and no one will know you are there with this new, state-of-the-art invisible Stealth Plane! Blast those commie freaks behind the Berlin Wall with ease; they'll never know what hit 'em. Note to parents: This toy will help expand your child's imagination. Just because you can't see it in the box doesn't mean it's not there. Also, open packages are NON-REFUNDABLE.

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COY page 8

"Clause" or "Home Improvement" while Hanks continues to find a way to be in every hit movie made. How does he do it? Man, he's worse than that Energizer Bunny. Oops, sorry, back to the story.

Director John Lasseter can most likely move his Oscar for his short animation film "Tin Toy" over a bit to make space for one more, as can Pixar, the computer firm responsible for the computer animation. While

Lasseter himself has said that computer animation will not replace conventional animation, a new trend has definitely emerged in the movie making business.

"Toy Story" is beyond any doubt a success and is sure to leave every kid wanting a "Woody" and a "Buzz" of their own.

Bullet Cartoonist Dave McKim contributed to this article

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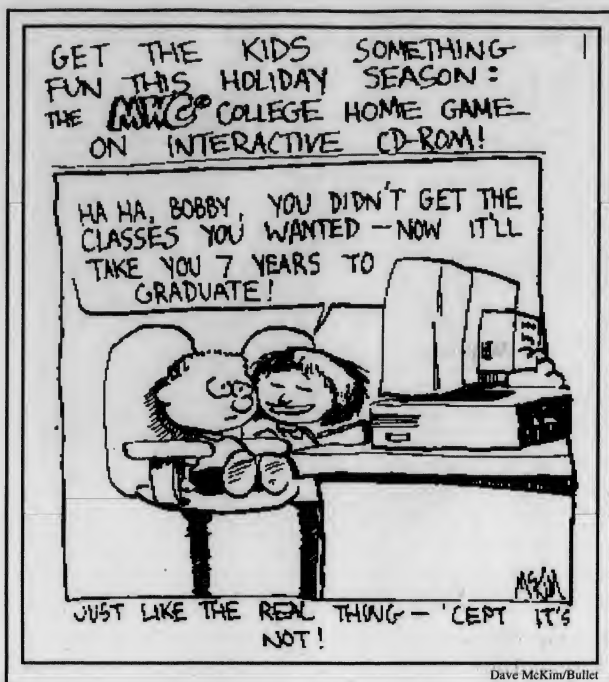
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The Movie Game

The Bullet's answer to the crossword puzzle.

Simply link movie actors through their co-stars, like so:
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Here are this week's Movie Game matches

This one is pretty easy:

Billy Crystal and Sara Gilbert

Here's one that's a little harder:

Macaulay Culkin and Sandra Bullock

Here are last weeks answers.

Matthew Broderick and Charlie Sheen

Matthew Broderick - Jennifer Grey (Ferris Bueller's Day Off);
Jennifer Grey - Patrick Swayze (Dirty Dancing); Patrick
Swayze - Wesley Snipes (Too Hot to Handle); Wesley Snipes -
Charlie Sheen (Major League)

Martha Plimpton and Elizabeth Perkins

Martha Plimpton - Sean Astin (Goonies); Sean Astin - Wil Wheaton (Toy Soldiers);
Wil Wheaton - Corey Feldman (Stand By Me); Corey Feldman - Tom Hanks (The
Burbs); Tom Hanks - Rosie O'Donnell (Sleepless in Seattle); Rosie O'Donnell -
Elizabeth Perkins (The Flintstones)

Send your solutions, and puzzle suggestions to the Bullet at box 604 -
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answers and give two more exciting movie matches.

GRADES page 3

which I earn is irrelevant. If I were a believer in the Vedantic theory of reincarnation and held firmly that I knew my occupations in all past lives, I would probably have proof that chemistry is not one of my strong suits.

A reduction of these now habitual cramming tendencies can, perhaps, be bought about with a focus more on critical thinking and less on this hyper-extension of the mind. A larger portion of the grade determined by class participation or journal entries written about what one learns at each lecture and on one's own, out of class. Perhaps, the classes which we take just for the purpose of filling general requirements could be taken pass/fail, with less stress and more enjoyment. What would be lost by doing such a thing?

Some may wonder whether, with a shift from the present focus on grades, students would maintain their work ethic and study habits with the debilitating of a force that once held them so strongly accountable. The argument lacks validity, however, when one realizes that this column recommends these measures only with regards to colleges and universities. This has major bearing in that we are adults. No force is keeping us here, save for the one which we inflict upon ourselves willingly.

Those of us who need incentive to remain, perhaps, do not belong. A boisterous voice might interject, "Then why do these kids drink and party so much?" Often the partying being done is dismissed in a phrase such as "I'm venting" or "Just blowin' off some steam." There may be other reasons, but I do have a word limit. The dependency of vast amounts of money and hours upon hours of drudgery on one exam can often cause the stress to accumulate unjustifiably and, almost, inhumanly on already insecure students. Students who only wish to do their best and show that they have done something of value.

Eventually our equivocal standpoint must subside, and a choice is demanded by our environment. Learn in the way that best fits who you are and who you aspire to be, with the grade or without it, or study as much as is needed for each exam, but no more - there is always another. There is no room for pleasure reading or extra research in an area of interest. It's either follow and succeed - the standard by which this success is measured is still up for debate and left to your discretion - or learn in a way that best allows you to remember...and, perhaps, drown. I hope never to choose the former.

Matt Lorenz is a freshman intended English and religion major.

PUMPKIN page 3

in mid-air, disqualifying themselves from the competition but providing an exciting crowd reaction. The real fun came on Sunday, after the children's "arm-powered" pumpkin-throwing event. (Not a must-see.) This is the big one, the distance event. The crowd watches each contestant with equal awe and anticipation, be it the Volkswagen bus with its hippie crew or the pros, with their huge cannons and massive catapults. Sure, the Volkswagen pumpkins fly maybe 200 feet and the pros keep breaking the world record, but it is perhaps this feeling that anything can happen that ignites the scrapple and chili eating crowd. This year, the world record was once again broken, with the Mello Yello team's effort measuring in at 2,655 feet.

The best new additions were the Skool table with its bountiful samples and the pumpkin ale hawked out of the back of the cars. I do have to admit this year was a bit more commercialized with its steak house sponsor, live entertainment and entrance fee. Still, it is not often an entire community rallies around an event so absurd yet so captivating. We're already planning to go back next year. This time, we will be certified regulars, camping out a day early among the Winnebagoes for the best view. We will sell unfathomably ugly five-dollar t-shirts like we were sold last year, instead of the yupified twenty-dollar sweatshirt and five dollar water bottle we were offered this year. Like true Pumpkin Chunks we will brave the cold and wind in search of the perfect, farthest pumpkin flight.

Kate Dube is a junior English major.

LETTERS page 3

stolen item was of great importance to me, my family and others who use it to relieve the daily stresses of college life. I would appreciate any viable information anyone may have on its whereabouts or disappearance. I will reward anyone who can restore my faith in the Honor System by helping justice and honor prevail.

Natalie Illum
freshman

Disclaimer Insults Christian Student

As a member of the Mary

D'SOUZA page 3

planning, but also it is impossible for a first year professor to be an appointed member of any committee. To associate me with those who Mr. Nelson criticizes as not being well informed about D'Souza is to miss the fact that I worked very hard to distribute several reviews, commentaries and resources for reading D'Souza's work once I realized he was coming.

What strikes me most significantly, as I reflect on Mr. Nelson's column is the manner in which he values the notion of clear logic, intellectual freedom, and free-thinking examination. Had Mr. Nelson taken the time to inform himself more completely, his sense of logic might not have assumed that a student's turned back represents a deal ear, or that somehow, African-American students had opted to turn their backs without reason or forethought, as if they had not taken the time to inform

Washington College student body. I read the Bullet every week to find out what is going on and to keep up with the news. But as a Christian, I wonder where the stories are that inform MWC about the activities of the several Christian groups on campus. Imagine my delight when I turned the page of the Nov. 16 issue and discovered Margaret Becker's face smiling up at me. I eagerly read the article, which focused on her concert downtown on Nov. 9. The piece was well-written, presenting a side of campus life that is often overlooked at college. My thanks go to the reporter, Inger Brink, whose interview

with Dana Key and story about the concert as a whole made me wish even more that I had been able to attend.

I have just one question: Why include a disclaimer saying the Bullet does not endorse Becker's tour or World Vision (a Christian organization striving to alleviate world hunger)? In two and a half years at this school, I have yet to see a disclaimer on any other event, either ones that make donations to the local homeless shelter, for example, or ones that have no community service in mind. By using a disclaimer, is the Bullet saying it does

not endorse a Christian singer but does endorse other musicians or groups, namely the ones appearing in articles without disclaimers? All in all, I was and still am excited that MWC felt a Christian event was newsworthy, and I look forward to seeing more of such items. However, please don't set them apart by claiming not to endorse them if the same treatment is not given to non-Christian events.

Marci Pierson
junior

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themselves, understand D'Souza's perspective, and decide that it was insulting and disrespectful to them. As I consider the information Mr. Nelson has chosen not to obtain I find it difficult for me to grant merit to his argument.

Beyond my assessment of Mr. Nelson, I feel it is the presence of ignorance, perpetuated by a lack of communication, that continues to divide us on this campus and in this society. I agree wholeheartedly with Mr. Nelson's assertion that we should foster a campus environment that is about intellectual exchange, logical discussion and free-thinking interaction. Unfortunately, that cannot occur if we operate on the assumption within our own perspectives, and do not take the time and repeated effort to engage those ideas and people we may find unlike us and our ideals. In my first few months here at MWC, I have made

the effort to know as many different people as possible, regardless of their political, social or cultural perspective. I encourage Mr. Nelson and any other student, faculty or staff member to come by my office in Chandler 308, and begin the process of becoming acquainted. Through such interaction, perhaps we can bring out what is best in this community. If not, ignorance persists, and to quote Emma Goldman, "The most violent element in society is ignorance."

Hank Lewis is an assistant professor
of English.

Editor's note: This will be the last
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Dinesh D'Souza.

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MWC Departments Divided To Save Funding

By Tracey Dickerson
Bulletin Staff Writer

Mary Washington College's 22 academic departments will be grouped into four divisions beginning fall of 1996, due to a state mandate requiring MWC to find ways to operate more efficiently. The current 22 departments will keep much of their autonomy by still employing department chairs, who must report to their division heads.

"The plan groups the departments in larger units for purposes of communication and cooperation," said Dean of the Faculty, Barbara Palmer.

According to Palmer, the plan is nearly finalized, although some details are still being worked out. Palmer said she is working with college president William Anderson to finalize the plan.

This uncertainty, along with the controversial nature of the plan, has led to some negative reactions from the faculty.

"I personally think it is more complicated than it needs to be," said math chair Stephen Lipscomb.

At the same time, Gary Stanton, chair of historic preservation, said he wonders what kind of effect the restructuring will have on the college.

"Will restructuring retain the qualities of a liberal arts education?" Stanton asked.

The four departments will be Humanities, Fine Arts, Social Sciences and Sciences, each of which will be led by a division head.

According to Palmer, the duties of each division head will include coordination of adjuncts, academic advising for pre-declared students, faculty evaluations and merit pay distribution among the departments.

The division heads will be compensated for their duties by receiving a one-course release per semester, a \$2,220 stipend per year, and a two-month summer contract with pay based on 20 percent of their base salary.

According to Palmer, next year the department chairs will receive approximately half of their current compensation in stipends and release time.

The department chairs' duties will include budget planning and spending decisions, performance evaluation of department faculty, and course offerings and curricular leadership.

Even though the division structure is still in the planning stages, the college is under pressure to restructure due to a Virginia state mandate requiring Mary Washington College to initiate efforts to save money and time.

According to Palmer, at least \$200,000 is tied up in the current academic chair system. The total for chairs' stipends is \$80,500 she said, with another \$112,000 to pay adjuncts to cover classes that are not taught by the chairs. This year there are 56 classes that are being taught by replacement faculty that the chairs could be teaching instead, according to Palmer.

The college's original plan also called for several smaller departments to be combined into three large departments with a single chair for each. These included Theatre and Dance, Music, and Art, which would be the only division, a department for Environmental Science, Geology and Physics, and a department for Historic Preservation and Geography.

However, the plan has been scrapped by Anderson.

Despite that change, the faculty still appears to be very unhappy about the division change.

At a recent faculty meeting, concerns about low morale and lack of communication were brought up to the president by many faculty members.

"I think input is a great idea," said one professor. "I just thought that the administration has not given us the opportunity for input or feedback, especially on the restructuring issue."

Associate professor for Business Administration Patricia Metzger agreed.

"What I think some of the resentment comes from is the fact that decisions are made that affect our everyday lives and we are not accorded the respect of even soliciting our input," Metzger said.

Anderson said that he will try to keep communications open in the future.

"I'm going to tell you exactly what's going on to the best of my ability," Anderson said.

The question of low morale remained in some faculty members' minds.

"One feature that has been a part of every plan is that people have been unhappy with the results," one professor said at the recent faculty meeting. "There is more dissatisfaction [this year] and lower morale than ever before."

Palmer agreed, saying that the faculty everywhere in Virginia is upset about the changes.

Palmer said, however, that the new plan will help the faculty. The plan has kept changing in response to each department's deep sense of identity. According to Palmer, the proposed plan with the four divisions is a way of keeping some of the departments aligned.

Each division will have a head appointed by Anderson upon the recommendation of the division and Palmer: The Humanities division will consist of the departments of English, Linguistics, Speech, Classics, Philosophy, Religion, Modern Foreign Languages and Education.

Fine Arts will include Theatre, Dance, Music and Art. The division head and chairs for this department will also meet with the Humanities division head and chairs.

The Social Sciences division will include Historic Preservation, History, Geography, Psychology, Sociology/Anthropology, Economics, Business Administration and Political Science.

The Sciences division will have Biology, Chemistry, Physics, Environmental Science/Geology, Math, Computer Science and Physical Education.



Courtesy of the Office of Public Relations

Dean of Faculty, Dr. Barbara D. Palmer, along with Provost Phil Hall and President William Anderson, is constructing a plan to convert the college's current academic chair system to a system that would group the 22 departments into four divisions. Each division would have its own leader, who will assume some of the department chairs' current duties.

STALKING page 1

18.2-460.

All three charges are Class 1 misdemeanors punishable by up to 12 months in prison and/or \$2500 dollar fine according to Sgt. Knick.

Palmer says that he did not make the phone calls nor was he stalking Wiley.

"I just said, 'Hey it not me you heard on the phone,'" Palmer said about the stalking charge. "I wasn't following her. I don't know what made her flip out like this. I don't know how to react. I never broke the law in my life and I

never will."

The same day he was arrested, Palmer said he had a meeting with Dean of Students Joanne Beck. According to Palmer, Beck placed him on housing probation and advised him not to have any contact Wiley and banned him from visiting or being inside of Alvey Hall.

Dean Beck did not comment about the case, but she wrote a letter to Wiley stating the conditions of Palmer's probation and also saying to Wiley that Palmer, "must remain at least 100 feet away from [her] physically at any

time when he might encounter [her] on campus."

Wiley says that the phone calls didn't scare her, but has only made her angry because of the position they put her in. "I don't need to be victimized or to be playing the victim," said Wiley.

"As soon as I got the bad vibes, I should have nipped it the bud right there," Wiley added. "But I tried to politely tell him to go away."

"I'm not as polite or as outgoing as I used to be. Because of this, I'm a lot less naive," Wiley said. After

Palmer was arrested, Wiley began sending away for applications from other colleges and plans to transfer at the end of the school year. If Palmer is not indicted next Thursday, she says she will not be coming back next semester.

Palmer, who was 17 at the time of phone calls, will go through juvenile outlet for the misdemeanor charge of using profane language, but if indicted for the stalking and obstruction charges, will be tried as an adult.



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